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An Open Letter To The Citizens of Appomattox County

Once again it's Cancer Crusade Month and volunteers will be calling to ask for your support in our drive to raise $5,500.00 as Appomatox County's share in the 1978 drive. I'd like to take this time to thank everyone who is assisting in this drive. Marge Mims and Beck Hudson are co-chairmen of this drive and, as usual, doing an excellent job. (Are you aware that 416 volunteers last year were involved here supporting and believing in the work done by the American Cancer Society? All of them are busy people and would not give ACS the time of day if they didn't think it was all worthwhile.)

Your endorsement has meant a great deal to us. Because of your help Appomattox County has always met the goal set for us each year. We are known throughout the state as No. 1. We have always raised the most with the fewest in our Bike-A-Thons for the past five years. Also, we have been outstanding in our initiation of Cancer Detection Clinics for oral and skin cancer.

Since you support us you should know how your funds are spent. 37.9% comes back to this area in one form or another. 16.7% is Public Education and programs designed to inform you about cancer prevention. All of your school children and many members of the Homemakers Clubs have seen a sampling of the films available through the Lynchburg office. Presently there are 66 films on file here in Virginia for our use on all phases of cancer, its detection and treatment. Also, much of the literature used in the Stop Smoking campaign here is provided by ACS. 12.4% provides counseling, information, transportation, dressings and loan closet items. Your local Loan Closet is solely financed by the American Cancer Society and with the costs of hospital beds at $400 and wheelchairs at $250 this is quite an expensive outlay. Approximately 400 dressings and loan items are disbursed in Appomattox County through Brod Pack, our service chairman. Fifteen local cancer patients have been financially assisted in the past year. The majority being breast cancer patients. 8.8% is spent on Cancer Detection Clinics, mass screenings and referral work.

On a higher level, Virginia has three institutions receiving $423,954.00 in grants and fellowships for research. ACS's overall investment has grown from $1 million in 1946 to $30 million today. $4 million alone was spent on leukemia research this year. Where as there are still many, many cancer cases today a large percentage of them are curable. The reason can be shared by ACS's publicity and research work.

A key factor of ACS in cancer research is that $560,000 is invested in 20 of the nation's most gifted scientists. Three having been honored with the Nobel Peace Prize for medicine. 30.2% is spent on research, 10.6% on professional education, leaving 11.5% fund raising and advertising and 9.8% for accounting, coordination, personnel and office facilities.

Your local board members join me in wholeheartedly endorsing the system of the American Cancer Society and its workings and ask for both your financial and voluntary help in support.

Thank you very much.

Most Sincerely,
Janet H. Noble, President
Appomattox County Unit of the
American Cancer Society

Galilee Church Junior Choir Anniversary Sunday Evening

The Galilee Church Junior choir, under the direction of Mrs. Dorothy Stevens, will observe its anniversary this Sunday evening at 5 p.m. The devotions and welcome will be given by members of the local choir. Local junior choirs have been invited to render two selections. All members, visitors and friends are cordially invited to attend.

Impressive service was held at the Mount Shiloh Baptist Church last Sunday at 11 a.m. The pastor delivered a very inspiring sermon. The Rev. Raymond Turner, pastor of the St. Mark Baptist Church of Amherst, took an active part in the service and gave some very helpful remarks. Several visitors attended the service. Beautiful music was rendered by the church choir. During the offering period a special offering was given to the local Cancer Drive.

A very helpful and informative meeting was held at the Chestnut Grove Baptist Church last Monday evening at 7:30 p.m. by the local branch of the NAACP. The president, Mr. George Martin presided, and gave welcome and greeting to all the members and visitors present. Mr. T. A. Chilton was appointed as chairman of the membership committee. Mr. Chilton is a native of Appomattox and a graduate of the former Carver Price High School and also a graduate of the St. Paul's College. He was employed in Philadelphia as a radio technician for thirty years. We are very happy to have Mr. and Mrs. Chilton to return to his native county.

The East and West Bound Sunday School Union will convene with the Morning Star Baptist Sunday School on the fifth Sunday in this month at 10 a.m. All schools of the union are urged to make plans now to be present. All superintendents are requested to be present.

The Mount Shiloh Baptist Church Sunday School has announced plans for a week observance of its Vacation Bible School. Members, visitors and friends are invited to attend the week of service. Miss Georgia Fleshman, director of the school, has announced the following program: Beginning Sunday after 3rd Monday, April 17, Rev. Harrison Kelso; Tuesday, April 18, J. W. Paige; Wednesday, April 19, Rev. L. L. Elliott; Thursday, April 20, Rev. W. R. Jones; Friday, April 21; Rev. James Miller. Sunday, April 23, at 3 p.m. Rev. J. D. Scruggs. Each pastor will bring his choir. The local Junior Choir will render music for Rev. Kelso.

The Woman's Auxiliary of the Hasadiah Baptist Association will hold its spring rally and service at the Galilee Baptist Church on the fourth Sunday in April at 3:30 p.m. All church auxiliaries of the Hasadiah are urged to attend this meeting. Special music will be rendered by the Pleasant Valley Church Junior and Senior Choirs.

On the first Sunday in April a special service was held at the Chestnut Grove Baptist Church sponsored by Mrs. Florence Eames for the building fund of the church. "Then was Jesus led up of the spirit into the wilderness to be tempted of the devil." The Rev. Johnson of Lynchburg was the guest speaker. We would like for all to know that we really did enjoy his sermon. He did not come to us as a money man, but as a God-sent man. He spoke on the subject, "I Fixed it With Jesus a Long Time Ago."

Mr. and Mrs. George A. Martin, Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Lawing and son attended the annual social at the Motor Inn, Natural Bridge, Va. last week end, sponsored by the Omega Phi Fraternity. An enjoyable week was experienced by all members and guests.

A beautiful wedding was held on the front lawn at the home of Mrs. Sallie Jenkins last Saturday evening at 2:30 when her daughter, Miss Hazel Inez Megginson was married to Mr. John Filbert Preston, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Preston. The double ring ceremony was performed by the Rev. R. Q. Lawing, Sr. A reception followed the wedding.

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The Pastor Speaks

Don't have time. Don't have time to go to church. Time to go to Sunday school once in a while, but don't have time for the worship service. He preaches too long, anyway. The choir is terrible. Besides, it might be communion Sunday, and you know that my wife has a roast in the oven. The folks expect me to come over to their place, and it takes an hour to get there . . .

No, I can't give any money to the church, either. You know how much the payments are on my new house. My new Datsun 280Z cost a bundle. The kids need braces on their teeth. Food prices have gone out of sight. I have to get some new equipment for my CB. Had to work overtime twice last week, and you know that means I had to eat at that fancy new restaurant.

Me sing in the choir? Let somebody else run the youth group, but they better be sure that my kids learn the same things I learned. Gee, don't you think we're paying the preacher too much? What sort of people do we have on the church board, after all? Oh, no, I don't have time. Evangelism? What is that? Missions? What do I care about starving people in the Sahel? We don't need any new people in this church. What is the use of trying to get people on the other side of the world to learn about the Christian faith? What do I have to do with any of that, anyway.

Yes, what I want is personal salvation, salvation for me, salvation that means that I don't have to bother about other people. Salvation that means once I am saved; let the rest of the world take care of itself. Somehow, I seem to be missing something here . . .

Rev. James M. Becker, Pastor
Appomattox United Methodist Circuit
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GOOD NEWS FOR HOMEMAKERS

Shirley W. Walton
Extension Agent

Spring Fashons are Very Feminine

The fashion industry calls spring fashions the "era of innocence." The latest fashion forecast for spring is soft, delicate lines, flower strewn fabrics with the silk and sheers look.

Face powder pastels and lots of soft detailing such as lace, net and satin ribbon are visible in loopy knits, velours and chenille. The swingy blouson look is everywhere! Chintz, poplin and other sturdy fabrics are often treated to care-free styling and romantic detailing.

Manufacturing technic is to give washable synthetics the appearance and look of silk, linen, cotton and wool. Open work and airy textures utilize fine yarns, weaves and weights. For instance, a floral cotton lace skirt is teamed with a cotton batiste or polyester crepe blouse trimmed with lace and. Dresses in polyester and cotton voile are treated with satin ribbon. As you can see on the fashion market and from this description of the fashions, things are getting a more feminine look.

The newest jackets have rounded, shawl-type collars and slitrred, dropped shoulders. Rolled cuffs adorn shorts and very shirts. Soft, big tops have ruffled or flared sleeves. Deep, gathered V-necks are popular.

Drawstrings or shirring of shoulders, sleeves and waists emphasize the blouson look. Camisole tops have the lingerie look.

Along with shirring and drawstrings, yokes and dirndls accent waist and hip lines in skirts and pants. Pants are softened with rounded hip yokes, gentle pleats and gathered legs. Shorts are wider with soft-legged or pantaloon shapes.

Circular skirts, tiers and ruffled flounces are beezy looking. Matching shawls accessorize many outfits. Vests are very popular this spring in sheer knits that are trimmed. Some have the antique look with lace and ribbons. Dresses for spring are covering up more of the leg. We are finding that dresses and skirts are growing longer in length with each season change.

Pastel pink in the super soft fabrics and styles followed by frosted and chalky pastels are very popular this spring. You will also see soft vegetable colors contrasted with khaki as trims. You will also see creamy shades or deep camel and drab tones featured in some of the fashions.

FBLA New Officers Elected

The April meeting of the Appomattox County High School Chapter of Future Business Leaders of America was held April 5 in the school cafeteria. The meeting was called to order by Judy Ayers. Melinda Davis gave devotions and Sharon Roach read the minutes of the last meeting. Donna Gunter gave the treasurer's report.

The Who's Who Committee for FBLA report was given by Rita Ferguson and the Girl of the Month for April is Melinda Davis.

Kathy Johnson, Chairman of the banquet committee, gave a report on the meeting that had taken place.. The banquet will be held April 24 at 6:30 p.m. at the John Mosby Inn Restaurant. The cost will be $2.00 a member and this must be turned in by April 12.

Following the business, candidates for officers for the 1978-79 school session gave their speeches.

The new officers are: Chaplain, Gwen Turner; Treasurer, Juanita Patterson; Parliamentarian, Nugene Harvey; Reporter, Gail Doss; Vice President, Sharon Roach; and President, Rita Reynolds.

After the speeches, the meeting was adjourned.

spring fashions. Some printed fabrics have tiny flowers, bouquets and wallpaper designs. Strip and madras type plaids round out the fashion picture for obtaining that coordinated look for spring.

Whatever spring fashions you choose, I know that you will be looking for one with easy care. Please read care labels carefully, if you are purchasing ready-made clothes. I wish to also caution you to read and ask for a care label when you are purchasing fabric by the yard to make your own fashions at home.

Should you have a homemaking question or problem, please call or write the Appomattox County Extension Office. Our phone number is 352-8244 and our address is P. O. Box 488, Appomattox, Va. 24522.

RECIPE OF THE WEEK
Cindy's Baked Rice

1 stick butter or margarine
1 medium chopped onion
2 cans beef consomme-undiluted
1 cup uncooked rice
1 can chopped mushrooms
Little salt

Melt butter or margarine. Mix all ingredients and pour over butter or margarine. Cook about 1 hour in a 350 degree oven or cook for 3-3½ hours in a slow cooker which has a crockery liner. Many thanks to Cindy Ranson for sharing this delicious recipe with us.

Church of God of Prophecy Revival Services

There will be a revival at the Church of God of Prophecy April 12 through April 16.

Services will begin at 7:30 p.m. nightly except on Sunday night and that service will begin at 7:00 p.m.

Evangelist Rev. Roy Shewbridge of Roanoke will be the guest speaker. Rev. Shewbridge is the state director of the Church of Prophecy Marker Association for Virginia.

Pastor Edward W. Atkins invites all to attend.

Remember: "Today is the day of salvation."

SENIOR FHA VISITS PRIMARY SCHOOL

On April 7, 1978, the Senior Chapter Future Homemakers of America visited the Primary School. They led the Kindergarten Classes in their recreation period.

Pictured above from left to right are the FHA members and students who participated in the recreational period: Foreground, Sharon Jackson, Chad Davis, Mary Simpson, 1st row - Cheryl Walton, Joan Williams, Shawn Christian, Gloria Hodges, Karen Covington. Back row - Susan Parris, Pam Taylor, Cheryl Elliott, Mary Dyess, Shelby Duncan, Jane Almond and Penny Elliott.

This is an annual community service project of the Future Homemakers of America.

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